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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated December 21, 2010, having a shortened statutory period set to expire on March 21, 2011. This submission is timely made with a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 that extends the period for reply to Monday, May 23, 2011, since May 21 falls on a Saturday. The undersigned hereby authorizes that the extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) of \$490.00, and any additional extension of time fees and any other fees that are required for this submission, be charged to deposit account no. 502306. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on **page 14** of this paper.